



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 766726-610059

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Examiner: Pathak, Sudhanshu )  
Inventor: Zuhdi, et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/723,804 )  
Filed: 11/28/2000 )  
For: Bidirectional Optical Communications )  
Having Quick Data Recovery Without )  
First Establishing Timing and Phase )  
Lock )

**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows. Any resulting fees should be charged to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 501432, ref: 766726-610059.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A method of transmitting and recovering a stream of coded data bits without establishing a timing or phase lock, comprising the steps of: